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For Appellant

EXAMINER'S ANSWER

This is in response to the appeal brief filed 10/20/2010 appealing from the Office action mailed 5/25/2010.

(1) Real Party in Interest

The examiner has no comment on the statement, or lack of statement, identifying by name the real party in interest in the brief.

(2) Related Appeals and Interferences

The examiner is not aware of any related appeals, interferences, or judicial proceedings which will directly affect or be directly affected by or have a bearing on the Board's decision in the pending appeal.

(3) Status of Claims

The following is a list of claims that are rejected and pending in the application:

Claims pending: 3-8, 10, 11, 13-16, 18-25, 28, 30, 32-35, 37-40, 42-45

Claims rejected: 3-8, 10, 11, 13-16, 18-25, 28, 30, 32-35, 37-40, 42-45

(4) Status of Amendments After Final

The examiner has no comment on the appellant's statement of the status of amendments after final rejection contained in the brief.

(5) Summary of Claimed Subject Matter

The examiner has no comment on the summary of claimed subject matter contained in the brief.

(6) Grounds of Rejection to be Reviewed on Appeal

The examiner has no comment on the appellant's statement of the grounds of rejection to be reviewed on appeal. Every ground of rejection set forth in the Office action from which the appeal is taken (as modified by any advisory actions) is being maintained by the examiner except for the grounds of rejection (if any) listed under the

subheading "WITHDRAWN REJECTIONS." New grounds of rejection (if any) are provided under the subheading "NEW GROUNDS OF REJECTION."

(7) Claims Appendix

The examiner has no comment on the copy of the appealed claims contained in the Appendix to the appellant's brief.

(8) Evidence Relied Upon

6,594,690	Cantwell	7-2003
6,459,499	Tomat	10-2002

(9) Grounds of Rejection

The following ground(s) of rejection are applicable to the appealed claims:

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 3, 4, 10-11, 13-14, 19-23, 25, 28, 30, 32-35, 38-40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cantwell (US 6,594,690) in view of Tomat (US 6,459,499).

With regard to claim 25, Cantwell discloses a server for a network, the server configured to enable a user at a computer (e.g., computer 4, figure 1) to scan a document at a scanner (e.g., scanner 10, figure 1) to obtain scanning data, the server (e.g., server 6, figure 1) comprising: a database of scanner drivers (e.g., device drivers

stored at website at intranet server or internet server; Col 2 Lines 9-14); a driver selection system configured to enable the user to select a driver for the scanner from the database of scanner drivers in response to one or more inputs provided to a browser hosted at the computer, wherein the browser enables the user to browse information received over a data transmission network (e.g., a user operates a browser on computer to browse to the website where the device driver is located, column 2, lines 29-34), and wherein the one or more inputs are received at the server over the data transmission network (e.g., computer communicates with server through connection, Col 2 Lines 3-8; user selects driver Col 3 Lines 3-7); and wherein the server (e.g., device drivers may either be stored at a website on intranet server 6 or internet server 16. If the device drivers are stored on intranet server 6, the device drivers may have previously been retrieved from internet server 16 through internet connection 18 or any other means, column 2, lines 9-14) is configured to transfer the self-extracting executable file to the computer; the self-extracting executable file also including the selected driver (e.g., at the website, the browser downloads and then executes 22 executable code. The executable code may be in the form of applet code. The executable code installs 24 any required software to the client. This may include client-to-device communication software as well as a setup and configuration utility which may also be part of the downloaded executable code, column 2, lines 45-51. Note: For further explanation, Cantwell discloses, e.g., column 2, lines 45-47 "At the website, the browser downloads and then executes 22 executable code". Note: Thus the executable code is self extracted by browser; and Cantwell discloses in claim 6, column 3, line 61 –

column 4, line 9 step (c) browser means for downloading executable code from the driver website; and step (g) downloaded executable code means for installing the selected driver. Note: Thus download executable code (self-extracting executable file) must include a selected driver so that it is able to install the selected driver).

Cantwell differs from claim 25 in that he does not explicitly disclose a destination selection system configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data, location being selected from locations including locations other than computer; and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file; wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer.

Tomat discloses a destination selection system (e.g., add/edit profile window 130, figure 7) configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data (e.g., in image file region 133, a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1 scans a document. The file location and file name can be entered either from keyboard 12 or through use of browse button 142 which allows a user to search hard disk 15 for an appropriate location, figures 6-9, column 10, lines 12-18), location being selected from locations including locations other than computer (e.g., computer system 2 is capable of sending data such as image files to computer systems and/or other devices that are physically remote from computer system 2, figure 1, column 4, lines 40-42; column 5, lines 24-33); and further

configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file (e.g., block 140 with inserted a destination address of the selected location, figure 7); wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer (e.g., a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1 scans a document, column 10, lines 12-15. Since the destination address is in user profile and user profile can be located centrally on network so that users can access remotely. Thus user can access user profile and be able to extract the destination address (column 9, lines 10-20).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Cantwell to include a destination selection system configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data, location being selected from locations including locations other than computer; and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file; wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer as taught by Tomat. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Cantwell by the teaching of Tomat to conveniently access or retrieve scanning data/information from different browsers/computers.

For claim 3, which is representative of Claim 22, Cantwell teaches wherein the predetermined location comprises a universal resource locator (URL) (Col 2 Lines 21-28).

Considering claim 4, Cantwell discloses wherein the location specifies one or more media to be used to save the scanning data (Col 2 Lines 15-20).

For claim 10, Cantwell discloses wherein the driver is configured to be removed from the computer after the scanning data is saved in the location (Col 3 Lines 13-18).

For claim 11, Cantwell teaches wherein the server further comprises a network connection configure to transmit information between data transmission network and at least one of the driver selection system and/or the delivery system (Col 3 Lines 13-18).

Considering claim 13, Cantwell teaches wherein server is further configured to populate a menu viewable at the computer on web browser identifying two or more of the plurality of scanner drivers (Col 1 Lines 34-44).

Regarding claim 14, which is representative of claim 19, Cantwell teaches wherein the server is configured to render the menu according to a hypertext transfer protocol (Col 2 Lines 20-34).

Considering claim 20, Cantwell teaches wherein enabling selection of at least one of scanner drivers in response to received information comprises receiving inputs from a menu rendered on the browser (Col 2 Lines 20-67).

For claim 21, which is representative of claim 23 Cantwell teaches wherein location comprised an electronic mail (e-mail) address (Col 2 Lines 21-28).

With regard to claim 28, the subject matter is similar to claim 25. Therefore claim 28 is rejected as set forth above for claim 25.

Referring to claim 30:

Claim 30 is the method claim corresponding to operation of the device in claim 25 with method steps corresponding directly to the function of device elements in claim 25. Therefore claim 30 is rejected as set forth above for claim 25.

With regard to claim 32, Cantwell discloses wherein selected driver is transferred to station over a file transfer protocol connection (e.g., the device drivers may have previously been retrieved from internet server 16 or any other means, column 2, lines 9-13).

With regard to claim 33, Tomat discloses wherein destination selection system enables user to select a location from browser by indicating the location in a text box provided by the browser (e.g., block 133, figures 6-9).

Referring to claim 34:

Claim 34 is the method claim corresponding to operation of the device in claim 32 with method steps corresponding directly to the function of device elements in claim 32. Therefore claim 34 is rejected as set forth above for claim 32.

Referring to claim 35:

Claim 35 is the method claim corresponding to operation of the device in claim 33 with method steps corresponding directly to the function of device elements in claim 33. Therefore claim 35 is rejected as set forth above for claim 33.

With regard to claim 38, the subject matter is similar to claim 25. Therefore claim 38 is rejected as set forth above for claim 25.

With regard to claim 39, Tomat discloses further comprising means for storing scanning data of the user ((e.g., in step S1107, an image file that results from scanning the document is stored as a temporary image file. This temporary image file preferably is stored at the location specified by the selected user profile, column 13, lines 26-30).

With regard to claim 40, Tomat discloses further comprising means for enabling the user to view the stored scanning data (e.g., computer system 2 preferably includes display 10 for outputting images, column 4, lines 25-31).

Claims 5-8,15,16,18 and 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cantwell (US6,594,690) and Tomat (US 6,459,499) and further in view of House et al. (House) (US 6,785,805).

For claim 5, which is representative of claim 18, Cantwell and Tomat disclose the server as described above. Cantwell and Tomat do not disclose expressly a login system configured to enable user to access driver selection system following establishing an identity of the user.

House discloses a login system configured to enable user to access driver selection system following establishing an identity of the user (Col 29 Lines 13-22).

Cantwell, Tomat & House are combinable because they are from the same field of endeavor, network driver devices.

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine House with Cantwell and Tomat by incorporating a login system in the server.

The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to provide personalized user information, so that only authorized users are able to gain access to the server, and thus maintaining the security of the system.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine House with Cantwell and Tomat to obtain the invention as specified in claim 5.

For claim 6, House teaches wherein the login system is configured to correlate the identity of the user with an account on the server, and wherein the scanning data is saved in association with the account (Col 29 Lines 23-42).

For claim 7, it would be inherent for the account to comprise an email account.

For claim 8, House teaches a viewing system for enabling the user to view the scanning data saved in the account (Col 11 Lines 56-67; Ref 100).

Regarding claim 15, House teaches wherein server further comprises a login system that enables computer to access driver selection system in response to authentication of user (Col 29 Lines 13-22).

For claim 16, Cantwell discloses wherein server is configured to store one or more cookies on computer in response to authentication (Col 2 Lines 40-67).

With regard to claim 37, Houses discloses further comprising means for authenticating the user (Col 29 Lines 13-22).

Claim 24 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cantwell (US6, 594,690) and Tomat (US 6,459,499) in view of Schneider et al (US 5,587,533).

Cantwell and Tomat disclose the server as discussed above.

Cantwell and Tomat do not disclose expressly wherein destination selection system is further configured to determine whether user has write permission associated with location; and warn user if location is not a valid destination for storing scanning data.

Schneider discloses scanned data that is stored under a user defined file name and the user is queried if the scanned data is to be saved or not (Col 23 Lines 31-44).

Cantwell, Tomat & Schneider are combinable because they are from the same field of endeavor, scanning objects.

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine Schneider with Cantwell and Tomat. "

The suggestion/motivation for doing so would have been to provide a warning system for the user. Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Schneider with Cantwell and Tomat to obtain the invention as specified in claim 24.

Claims 42-45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Matsuda et al. (Matsuda) (US 7120910) and Cantwell (US 6,594,690) in view of Tomat (US 6,459,499).

Regarding claim 42, Matsuda discloses a computer-implemented method (e.g., computer network, figure 1) for scanning an original (e.g., scanners at different remote locations for scanning an image, figure 1), the method comprising: receiving at a first

computer (e.g., the local image processing apparatus (first computer), figure 1, column 13, lines 8-10) a request for authentication (e.g., the user tries to open a box for which a password is set on the window in FIG. 14, a password confirmation window (not shown) is displayed. If the correct password is input, the window switches to the box document display window in FIG. 15, column 13, lines 63-67. Note: the user from host computer 10 try to access image files from memory boxes in HDD 2004 and a password confirmation window displayed from the local image processing apparatus to authenticating the user at computer host) from a second computer coupled to a scanner (e.g., a host computer 10) coupled to a scanner (e.g., scanner, figure 1), authenticating the second computer (e.g., the user tries to open a box for which a password is set on the window in FIG. 14, a password confirmation window (not shown) is displayed. If the correct password is input, the window switches to the box document display window in FIG. 15, column 13, lines 63-67); receiving a selection of a location for storing scanning data from the second computer, wherein the location is selected from locations including locations other than the second computer (e.g., the user can also designate the operation of storing a scanned image or PDL data sent from a Web client in a box. In addition, a stored document can be transmitted by FAX or E-mail, moved to another box, or printed out in accordance with an instruction from the user, column 12, lines 50-55).

Matsuda differs from claim 42 in that he does not explicitly disclose wherein the second computer does not have a driver for the scanner; determining one or more scanner drivers, wherein at least one of the scanner drivers may be used by the second

computer to operate the scanner; providing an indication of the one or more scanner drivers to the second computer; receiving a selection of a scanner driver from the second computer; and providing the selected scanner driver to the second computer, includes providing the selected scanner driver as a self-extracting file to the second computer, wherein the selected location is provided in the self-extracting file.

Cantwell discloses wherein the second computer does not have a driver for the scanner; determining one or more scanner drivers, wherein at least one of the scanner drivers may be used by the second computer to operate the scanner (e.g., a user operates a browser on computer to browse to the website where the device driver is located, column 2, lines 29-34); providing an indication of the one or more scanner drivers to the second computer (e.g., device drivers stored at website at intranet server or internet server; Col 2 Lines 9-14); receiving a selection of a scanner driver from the second computer; and providing the selected scanner driver to the second computer (e.g., driver downloaded by website and installed on computer; Col 3 Lines 8-12), includes providing the selected scanner driver as a self-extracting file to the second computer (e.g., the executable code spawns 26 the setup and configuration utility on the client system. Information about the device is then communicated 28 to the executable code, or the setup and configuration utility portion of the executable code, column 2, lines 54-58. Note: since the executable code spawn the setup and configuration utility on the client system. Thus the executable code is self-extracting file).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Matsuda to include wherein the second computer does

not have a driver for the scanner; determining one or more scanner drivers, wherein at least one of the scanner drivers may be used by the second computer to operate the scanner; providing an indication of the one or more scanner drivers to the second computer; receiving a selection of a scanner driver from the second computer; and providing the selected scanner driver to the second computer, includes providing the selected scanner driver as a self-extracting file to the second computer, wherein the selected location is provided in the self-extracting file as taught by Cantwell. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Matsuda by the teaching of Cantwell to conveniently access or retrieve information from different computer on network.

Matsuda and Cantwell combined do not explicitly disclose a destination selection system configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data, location being selected from locations including locations other than computer; and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file.

Tomat discloses a destination selection system (e.g., Autosend, figure 7) configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data (e.g., in image file region 133, a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1 scans a document. The file location and file name can be entered either from keyboard 12 or through use of browse button 142 which allows a user to search hard disk 15 for an appropriate location, figures 6-9,

column 10, lines 12-18), location being selected from locations including locations other than computer (e.g., computer system 2 is capable of sending data such as image files to computer systems and/or other devices that are physically remote from computer system 2, figure 1, column 4, lines 40-42; column 5, lines 24-33); and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file (e.g., block 140 with inserted a destination address of the selected location, figure 7); wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer (e.g., a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1 scans a document, column 10, lines 12-15. Since the destination address is in user profile and user profile can be located centrally on network so that users can access remotely. Thus user can access user profile and be able to extract the destination address (column 9, lines 10-20).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Matsuda and Cantwell combined to include a destination selection system configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data, location being selected from locations including locations other than computer; and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file; wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer as taught by Tomat. It would have

been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Matsuda and Cantwell combined by the teaching of Tomat to conveniently access or retrieve information from browser.

Regarding claim 43, Matsuda discloses wherein receiving a selection of a location for storing scanning data from the second computer (e.g., the user can also designate the operation of storing a scanned image or PDL data sent from a Web client in a box. In addition, a stored document can be transmitted by FAX or E-mail, moved to another box, or printed out in accordance with an instruction from the user, column 12, lines 50-55) includes receiving a selection of a location to which the first computer is coupled (e.g., in addition, since an image stored in the image processing apparatus can be transmitted as an image file from the image processing apparatus to the host computer, and the user can browse and operate this file through the Web browser on the host computer, the user can easily perform remote control, column 17, lines 11-15), and wherein the method further comprises: receiving a request to view stored scanning data from the second computer (e.g., the user can browse and operate this file through the Web browser on the host computer, column 17, lines 13-15); accessing the location to which the first computer is coupled (e.g., the image processing apparatus, column 17, line 7); retrieving the stored scanning data; and providing the stored scanning data to the second computer (e.g., the user can browse and operate this file through the Web browser on the host computer, column 17, lines 13-15).

Regarding claim 44, Matsuda discloses further comprising: determining whether the second computer has permissions necessary to store scanning data at the location;

and providing a warning to the second computer if the second computer does not have permissions necessary to store scanning data at the location (e.g., the user tries to open a box for which a password is set on the window in FIG. 14, a password confirmation window (not shown) is displayed. If the correct password is input, the window switches to the box document display window in FIG. 15; otherwise, the contents of this box cannot be seen, column 13, lines 63-67. Note: the user from host computer 10 try to access image files from memory boxes in HDD 2004 and a password confirmation window displayed from the local image processing apparatus to authenticating the user at computer host for accessing, otherwise the window will not be seen to let user know that the access denied).

Regarding claim 45, Matsuda discloses wherein the location is selected from at least one of a storage medium (e.g., an area in an HDD 2004 (a storage medium) in which image data are to be stored is divided into a plurality of areas in advance, which will be referred to as boxes, column 12, lines 40-42), an email address and a Uniform Resource Locator (URL) (e.g., a stored document can be transmitted by FAX or E-mail, moved to another box, or printed out in accordance with an instruction from the user, Column 12, lines 52-55).

(10) Response to Argument

Regarding claims 3, 4, 10-11, 13-14, 19-23, 25, 28, 30, 32-35, 38-40:

Regarding claim 25, Appellant, on pages 13-14 of the appeal brief, argues that Cantwell does not disclose a server that transfers a self-extracting executable file

including a selected driver, nor does Cantwell even disclose a self-extracting executable file.

In response: Cantwell discloses "a server that transfers a self-extracting executable file including a selected driver" in several paragraphs in the specification:

(Cantwell discloses, e.g., column 2, lines 45-47 "At the website, the browser downloads and then executes 22 executable code". Note: Thus the executable code is self extracted by browser; and Cantwell discloses in claim 6, column 3, line 61 – column 4, line 9 step (c) browser means for downloading executable code from the driver website; and step (g) downloaded executable code means for installing the selected driver. Note: Thus download executable code (self-extracting executable file) must include a selected driver so that it is able to install the selected driver).

(Cantwell discloses, e.g., column 3, lines 8-12 "Once the driver has been selected 30, the driver is downloaded 32 from the driver website and installed 34 on the client (computer 4). If necessary, the executable code also configures 36 the driver so that it functions properly with the client's hardware and software configuration". Note: Thus when the executable code is downloaded from website, column 2, lines 45-46, the selected drivers also included so that the executable code configures the selected driver).

(Cantwell discloses, e.g., Abstract "The executable code builds a list of available drivers for the device from the drivers stored at the driver website. Either the executable code or a user selects a driver from the list of drivers for the

device. The executable code downloads the selected driver and stores it locally. The executable code then installs the selected driver. Note: Thus download executable code (self-extracting executable file) must include a selected driver so that it is able to install the selected driver).

Regarding claim 25, Appellant, on pages 15 of the appeal brief, argues that Tomat does not disclose configure to insert a destination address of the selected location for scanning data in a self-extracting executable file.

In response: Cantwell discloses a self-extracting executable file including the selected driver **(Cantwell discloses, e.g., column 2, lines 45-47 "At the website, the browser downloads and then executes 22 executable code". Note: Thus the executable code is self extracted by browser; and Cantwell discloses in claim 6, column 3, line 61 – column 4, line 9 step (c) browser means for downloading executable code from the driver website; and step (g) downloaded executable code means for installing the selected driver. Note: Thus download executable code (self-extracting executable file) must include a selected driver so that it is able to install the selected driver).** Cantwell differs from claim 25 in that he does not explicitly disclose configure to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving the scanning data.

Tomat discloses configure to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving the scanning data **(e.g., in image file region 133, a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1**

scans a document. The file location and file name can be entered either from keyboard 12 or through use of browse button 142 which allows a user to search hard disk 15 for an appropriate location, figures 6-9, column 10, lines 12-18), location being selected from locations including locations other than computer (e.g., computer system 2 is capable of sending data such as image files to computer systems and/or other devices that are physically remote from computer system 2, figure 1, column 4, lines 40-42; column 5, lines 24-33).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Cantwell to include configure to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving the scanning data as taught by Tomat. . It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Cantwell by the teaching of Tomat to conveniently access or retrieve image data/information from different computer/website.

Regarding claim 25, Appellant, on pages 16-19 of the appeal brief, argues that Cantwell and Tomat combined would teach away from the feature of claim 25; would be a substantial reconstruction and redesign of these references; and has failed to show that there is an apparent rational reason to combine the references.

In response: Both Cantwell and Tomat inventions are the same endeavor for scanners on network and scanning image data and storing image data at different locations/computers (e.g., Cantwell, Fig. 1 and Tomat, Fig. 2). In particular, Cantwell's invention is for download the selected driver for scanner to scan the image data and Tomat's invention is for scanning image data and save the image data at

remote locations for conveniently use. Thus Cantwell and Tomat combined would result in better image quality with selecting the correct driver for particular scanner (e.g., Abstract, Cantwell) and conveniently save a scanning image data and retrieve for particular application (e.g., Abstract, Tomat).

Regarding claim 25, Cantwell discloses most of the limitations as set forth above in Grounds of Rejection.

Cantwell differs from claim 25 in that he does not explicitly disclose a destination selection system configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data, location being selected from locations including locations other than computer; and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file; wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer.

Tomat discloses a destination selection system (e.g., add/edit profile window 130, figure 7) configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data (e.g., in image file region 133, a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1 scans a document. The file location and file name can be entered either from keyboard 12 or through use of browse button 142 which allows a user to search hard disk 15 for an appropriate location, figures 6-9, column 10, lines 12-18), location being selected from locations including locations other than computer (e.g., computer system 2 is capable of sending data such

as image files to computer systems and/or other devices that are physically remote from computer system 2, figure 1, column 4, lines 40-42; column 5, lines 24-33); and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file (e.g., block 140 with inserted a destination address of the selected location, figure 7); wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer (e.g., a user enters a file location in file location text box 140 and a file name in file name list box 141 so as to specify a location for storing the temporary image file created when scanner 1 scans a document, column 10, lines 12-15. Since the destination address is in user profile and user profile can be located centrally on network so that users can access remotely. Thus user can access user profile and be able to extract the destination address (column 9, lines 10-20).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Cantwell to include a destination selection system configured to enable user to select a location from browser for saving scanning data, location being selected from locations including locations other than computer; and further configured to insert a destination address of the selected location for saving scanning data in a self-extracting executable file; wherein the destination address is extracted from the self-extracting executable file if the self-extracting executable file is executed by computer as taught by Tomat. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to have modified Cantwell by the teaching of Tomat to conveniently access or retrieve scanning data/information from

different browsers/computers for particular applications and save time for access or retrieve scanning data by saving image data on preferred memory location, (Abstract, Tomat).

Others independent claims and dependent claims are based on argument and ground of rejection of claim 25.

(11) Related Proceeding(s) Appendix

No decision rendered by a court or the Board is identified by the examiner in the Related Appeals and Interferences section of this examiner's answer.

For the above reasons, it is believed that the rejections should be sustained.

Respectfully submitted,

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